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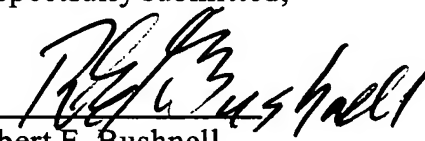
This Supplemental Amendment is prepared in accordance with the telephone discussion with the Examiner on Friday, 21 November 2008. Courtesy extended by Examiner Hess during the telephone discussion is appreciated.

During the telephone discussion, the Examiner stated that if Applicants agree to cancel newly presented claims 26 and 27, he will enter the cancellation via an Examiner's Amendment, allow claims 1 through 25 and pass the application to issue.

By this Supplemental Amendment, claims 26 and 27 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of their subject matter. Thus, claims 1 through 22 and 25 are pending in the application, and believed to be in condition for allowance.

Should any questions arise, the Examiner is requested to telephone Applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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